

Mine Permitting in the 21st Century

Patience and Persistence

By Paul Nagy



The speaker for the July meeting was Ben Miller of Lewicki and Associates, consultants to the mining industry. Ben has a graduate degree from the Colorado School of Mines and is working toward another. His firm specializes in mine permitting, which today is often a prolonged, delicate, and expensive tip-toe through the bureaucratic minefields.

Before a final mining go-ahead, he has had to secure as many as twenty permits from twenty different governmental agencies, eg., zoning, health, environmental, wildlife, recreation, archeology, ad hoc councils, committees, etc., as well as approval from the general public. Of course, there is no guarantee of success.

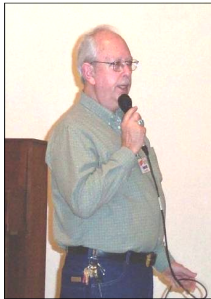
Among recent successes is the restart of production at the Alma gold placer near Hoosier Pass in Park County. This is primarily a sand and gravel operation from nearby construction, the gold being secondary in value but significant. The placer, among the earliest found in the state, was first claimed in 1860. Also, water

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The Prez Sez

By Gary Hawley, President

It has been HOT! I hope you have had an opportunity to get into the mountains and cool down beside a tumbling stream. I think early morning is the best time to pan for gold. The temperature is cool, the air smells clean, and you usually have the area to yourself.



Thanks to **Jim Jarnutowski** for taking care of the club's involvement in a mining display at the Aurora History Museum. The museum had asked us to loan some equipment for the month of June for a display case.

Matt Schreiner has placed an order for clothing items with the club logo. These should be available at the August meeting.

Joe Johnston had the first Find of the Month/

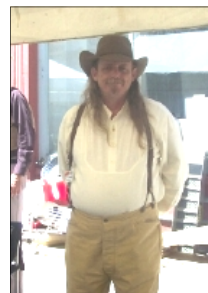
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VP's Corner

By Jeff Mosteller, Vice President

Greetings to all!

Updates on trailer: Five 24" stools have been added to the equipment for the comfort of the panners. You can sit behind the panning tubs and work the demos. It's quite comfortable.



Panning Demos for July: The 1st Texas Reenactors, who usually put up a bivwac in the history park, will be reenacting a group of families that have come to Colorado during the 1859 rush hoping to strike it rich. This will play off what we do at the panning booth. The Buffalo Bill parade will start at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday down

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GPR Events Calendar

Month	Date(s)	Time(s)	Activity	Information	Coordinator
Aug	1	7:00p to 8:00p	Panning Demo	International Lacer Society, Marriott Renaissance Hotel, 38th and Quebec, Denver, Colorado	Jeff Mosteller
	11-14		Event	Contin-Tail Rock Swap and Mineral Show, Rodeo Grounds, Buena Vista, Colorado	
	12	12:00p to 4:00p	Class	GPS (Global Positioning System) Class, Building 810, Federal Center. Info: 303-202-4640	
	17	7:00p	Meeting	<i>Presentation:</i>	
	19-21		Event	Lake George Gem & Mineral Show. Info: Richard Parsons, 303-838-8859, tazaminerals@att.net	
	20-21	8:00p to 4:00p	Panning Demo	8100's Days, History Park, Golden, Colorado. (For Astor House)	Jeff Mosteller
	27		Event	Cemetery Crawl, I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Central City, Colorado	
Sep	9	12:00p to 4:00p	Class	GPS (Global Positioning System) Class, Building 810, Federal Center. Info: 303-202-4640	
	16-18		Event	Denver Gem and Mineral Show, Denver Merchandise Mart, 58th Avenue and I-25, Denver, Colorado	
	17-18		Panning Demo	Mother Load Rodeo, Gilpin County Fairgrounds, Black Hawk, Colorado	Jeff Mosteller
	21	7:00p	Meeting	<i>Presentation:</i>	
Oct	1		Panning Demo	Rock Ledge Ranch, Colorado Springs, Colorado	Jeff Mosteller
	14	12:00p to 4:00p	Class	GPS (Global Positioning System) Class, Building 810, Federal Center. Info: 303-202-4640	
	19	7:00p	Meeting	<i>Presentation:</i>	
Nov	11	12:00p to 4:00p	Class	GPS (Global Positioning System) Class, Building 810, Federal Center. Info: 303-202-4640	
	16	7:00p	Meeting	<i>Presentation:</i>	
Dec	21	6:30p	Meeting	Christmas Potluck Dinner Meeting	Gary Hawley

All GPR meeting presentations and trip activities are subject to change. Non-club prospecting-related events may be included for your information. Members attending any trip activities are asked to **be sure to sign up or contact the event coordinator prior to the activity to allow planning for an estimated number of people** and so attendees may be contacted in the event of any change, cancellation, or rescheduling. For events added after the meeting, check the GPR website.

PLEASE PLAN TO ARRIVE AT PANNING DEMOS ONE HOUR IN ADVANCE OF THE START TIME.

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rights from the adjacent South Platte River, filed in 1864, are among the senior in the region and are much coveted by many municipalities.

Because the community of Alma has had a more or less continuous mining tradition since pioneering days, there was not much local opposition to the mine. However, a lot of permitting through county, state, and federal agencies was still required. Of historical interest, the new surface excavations often break into old underground workings, which were larger and more extensive than had been supposed. Underground placering is extremely dangerous because a placer is by definition unconsolidated material, highly prone to cave-in. The early miners took risks that would not be much tolerated today.

Ben agrees with the consensus that the United States is exporting its mineral industry. This will most likely continue because although our mineral industry is very large, it represents only a small part of our overall economy. As such, it cannot generate the lobbying effort required for its own domestic survival.

Whether or not it is wise for us to import ever more of such

materials as cement, iron ore and steel, gold, and crude oil will be for history to decide!

Need New Newsletter Editor

By Dick Oakes, Editor, *The Gold Nugget*

Well, folks, it is time for me to move on to greener pastures and turn over the task of Editor of *The Gold Nugget* to another willing member. The newsletter task only takes up a few hours of time as most of the writing is expertly handled by other club members. You'll need to reformat the newsletter to hold the stories each month, get the new addresses from the Membership Coordinator for the labels, fold and staple them, stamp them, and mail them out to our awaiting members--that's it!

Please let our president know of your interest to handle this most important of positions in the club at the next meeting so you can have a few months of hands-on experience with me. And, thanks!

Notes from Last Month's GPR Meetings

Board Meeting

by Gary Hawley, President

Roll Call

In Attendance: Gary Hawley, Jeff Mosteller, Kathy Hawley, Hank Innerfeld, Joe Johnston, Matt Schreiner, Joe Shubert, Paul Nagy, Cindy Douthard, Terry Weatherly.

Unable to Attend: Jim Jarnutowski, Allen Mershon.

Quorum Present?

Yes.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:16 p.m. by Gary Hawley.

Reading and Approval of Minutes

Read by Gary Hawley and approved as read.

Treasurer's Report

Accepted as read and available at tonight's general meeting.

Correspondence

Membership renewals and newsletters from other clubs.

Committee Reports

Reports: Presented and discussed.

Unfinished Business

Club Trommel. Gary Hawley. Gary has sent pictures to the Mining Museum curator in Colorado Springs. Awaiting a reply from him. Ongoing.

Find of the Month/Year Committee. Joe Johnston. Program begins tonight.

Boy Scouts Environmental Sciences Merit Badge. Allen Mershon. Allen checking to see if GPR members can be involved in this program. Ongoing.

Club Logo Clothing Items. Matt Schreiner. Order has been placed.

New Business

Panning Demonstration Mileage. Gary Hawley made a motion that the Panning Demonstration Committee Coordinator shall maintain a mileage log indicating distances to/from panning demos where the club trailer is being towed. A monthly mileage report shall be presented to the Board for approval and a mileage reimbursement shall be presented to the person who has been towing the trailer. Approved by vote.

Planned Outings

Outings. Refer to the GPR Events Calendar in *The Gold Nugget*.

Announcements

Next Board Meetings: August 17, 2005, at 6:00 p.m.

Next General Meeting: August 17, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.

Tonight's general meeting program: Mine Permitting in the 21st Century: Patience and Persistence, a talk by Ben Miller of Lewicki and Associates.

Adjournment

Meeting stands adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

General Meeting

By Paul Nagy, General Meeting Recorder

President Gary Hawley convenes meeting. Pledge of Allegiance by Dakota Intriglia.

Treasurer's report read by Gary Hawley.

Membership report by Cindy Douthard: 116 individual and family memberships; 8 guests present.

Prez Hawley reminds all present of the prospecting regulations of Jeffco Open Space for Clear Creek Canyon: dig in the channel only, pick up garbage, fill in all holes.

VP Jeff Mosteller reports that we now have five bar stools for the use of panning demonstrators. He gave a rundown of upcoming demos, including July 30-31 at the Golden Historic Park, where civil war reenactors will arrive as gold rush prospectors. Also, on August 1, a Monday, we have an all-day demo at the Marriott Renaissance Hotel at 38th and Quebec for International Lacer Society (volunteers are needed for this).

Prez Hawley reports that tourists of many nationalities have visited at the panning demos in Central City. Some are from regions as remote as Europe, China, and even Denver (Colorado)! Few speak English, but all speak "gold."

Joe Johnston announces the award winners for the Find of the Month/Year. He also reports that the club library is doing fine and thanks recent contributors for the publications. Joe gives clue #19 for the hidden cache.

Hank Innerfeld has a catalog of commercial tokens for detector fans' reference.

The evening's presentation: "Mine Permitting in the 21st Century: Patience and Persistence" by Ben Miller.

Prize drawings, including the Special Venezuelan Gold Specimen, then adjourn meeting.

Some Thoughts

- Why is it that people say they "slept like a baby" when babies wake up every two hours?
- If a deaf person has to go to court, is it still called a hearing?
- If you drink Pepsi at work in the Coke factory, will they fire you?
- Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?
- Why do doctors leave the room while you change? They're going to see you naked anyway.
- Why do toasters always have a setting that burns the toast to a horrible crisp, which no decent human being would eat?
- Why is there a light in the fridge and not in the freezer?
- When your photo is taken for your driver's license, why do they tell you to smile? If you are stopped by the police and asked for your license, are you going to be smiling?
- Can a hearse carrying a corpse drive in the carpool lane?
- If the professor on Gilligan's Island can make a radio out of a coconut, why can't he fix a hole in a boat?
- What do you call male ballerinas?
- If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, what is baby oil made from?

Sometimes, you have to "put your two cents in." But it's only a "penny for your thoughts." Where's that extra penny going?

By the time you can make ends meet, they move the ends.

Drawing Winners

By Kathy Hawley, Drawings Coordinator

Nugget Drawings

3.6 gram nugget.....	Donna Mosteller
2.1 gram nugget.....	Frank Conte
1.0 gram nugget.....	Hank Innerfeld
0.8 gram nugget.....	Joe Shubert
0.7 gram nugget.....	Sue Lemieux
0.6 gram nugget.....	Wolf Stumpf
0.5 gram nugget.....	Gary Hawley
0.4 gram nugget.....	Cindy Douthard
0.4 gram nugget.....	Dick Oakes
0.4 gram nugget.....	Marlin Siedeman
0.3 gram nugget.....	Robert Deschambault
0.2 gram nugget.....	Willie Buboltz

Members Only Drawings

0.2 gram nugget.....	Don Fling
	(Donated by The Club)
Pen.....	Ellie Buboltz
	(Donated by Hank Innerfeld)
Water Fountain.....	G. Harris
	(Donated by LeRoy Lamgo)
Water Fountain.....	Jeff Mosteller
	(Donated by LeRoy Lamgo)
Marble.....	Con Ogden
	(Donated by The Club)

Find of the Month/Year

By Joe Johnston, Find of the Month/Year Coordinator

Largest Raw Gold

None

Most Raw Gold

None

Best Jewelry

Wayne McCarroll Bracelet

Oldest Coin

Joe Johnston 1965 Quarter

Most Valuable Coin

Joe Johnston 2005 Minnesota Quarter

Most Unique (Excavated)

Joe Johnston "Favorite" ash cleanout

Wayne McCarroll..... Toy car

Cindy Douthard..... Amazonite crystal

Sue Lemieux Garnet rock

Most Unique (Non-Excavated)

Joe Johnston 1948 A Worldbook

Cindy Douthard..... Crystal

Best Bottle

Gary Hawley..... The Prez's Water Bottle



By Rick Miska, Q&A Coordinator

August 2005

WHO AM I?

- I was born in New York on May 23, 1830.
- I was a school teacher and a lawyer.
- I was in the Colorado militia from 1862 to 1864.
- I built a famous Colorado Hotel.
- I was the first senator from Colorado.
- I did a term as Secretary of the Interior of the United States.
- I was a strong supporter of bimetallism (Gold and Silver as a monetary standard).
- I was a former republican who sought the presidency as a democrat.
- I died in Denver, Colorado, on February 23, 1914.

Members who submit a correct answer to this question at the next meeting will receive a ticket for the nugget drawing.

More Facts

- The cockroach is the fastest animal on six legs, covering a meter a second.
- The earliest maps were made by the Babylonians about 2300 B.C.E.
- The first Harley Davidson motorcycle built in 1903 used a tomato can for a carburetor.
- The names of the continents all end with the same letter with which they start.
- The noise of bees, mosquitoes, and other buzzing insects is caused by their rapidly moving wings.
- The only two animals that can see behind themselves without turning their heads are the rabbit and the parrot.
- The whip makes a cracking sound because its tip moves faster than the speed of sound.

Food for Thought

By Jackie Barker, Refreshments Coordinator

So, has it been hot enough for everyone? Michael and I want to send our thanks out to **Sue Lemieux** for her outstanding rhubarb bars, to **Hank Innerfeld** for his banana bread and the fresh pineapple, to **LeRoy Lamgo** for the yummy donuts, and to **Barb Conte** for her wonderful and refreshing Jello dip and crackers.

Have a wonderful summer, stay cool, and we'll see everyone next month. Remember ... never put both feet in your mouth at the same time, because then you won't have a leg to stand on.

Jackie and Michael

The Gold Nugget

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Year table set up for the July meeting. Joe will have the rules and regulations printed in *The Gold Nugget*. This program promises to be fun and educational. Let's support Joe and this program.

Jeff Mosteller has a few more panning demos planned through August. He has made this another successful year for demos.

Kathy Hawley gave away the beautiful 33.6 gram nugget from Venezuela! **Wayne & Diane McCarroll** are the happy winners. Thanks to all who supported this special drawing and, as you may have guessed, Kathy is already planning to have another nugget available very soon.

Until next time: May the gold in your pan be worth the effort you put into finding it.

From the Ledger

of Kathy Hawley, Treasurer

Thanks to **Leroy Lamgo** and **Hank Innerfeld** for the donations to the "Members Only" drawing. Leroy donated two table fountains and Hank a pen.

The "Special Drawing Nugget" was given away at the July meeting after the break. Congratulations to **Wayne & Diane McCarroll**. The shock and surprise was evident on both of their faces. The drawing was a huge success and I plan to have another nugget for the September meeting.

At the August meeting, I will have North Washington State gold nuggets and one Alaskan gold nugget for the drawings. We will give away a total of 11.3 grams of gold with the largest nugget being 2.8 grams. There will be four nuggets over 1 gram each.

So like I always say, come prepared to buy some extra tickets and Good Luck!

So You Think You Know Everything

- A dime has 118 ridges around the edge.
- A cat has 32 muscles in each ear.
- A crocodile cannot stick out its tongue.
- A dragonfly has a life span of 24 hours.
- A goldfish has a memory span of three seconds.
- A "jiffy" is an actual unit of time for 1/100th of a second.
- A shark is the only fish that can blink with both eyes.
- A snail can sleep for three years.
- Al Capone's business card said he was a used furniture dealer.
- All 50 states are listed across the top of the Lincoln Memorial on the back of the \$5 bill.
- Almonds are a member of the peach family.
- An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain.
- Babies are born without kneecaps. They don't appear until the child reaches 2 to 6 years of age.
- Butterflies taste with their feet.
- Cats have over one hundred vocal sounds. Dogs only have about 10.
- The only English word that ends in the letters "mt" is "dreamt."
- February 1865 is the only month in recorded history not to have a full moon.
- In the last 4,000 years, no new animals have been domesticated.
- If you are an average American, in your whole life, you will spend an average of 6 months waiting at red lights.
- It's impossible to sneeze with your eyes open.



GPR GOLD PANNING DEMONSTRATIONS

Know an organization that might want us to set up a gold panning demonstration booth? Contact

Jeff Mosteller

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For additional information and photos, see

<http://www.GoldProspectorsOfTheRockies.com/>

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Washington Street. We will be set up in our new area about mid-park near the tool shed and gardens, straight south of the blacksmith shop. There is a gate off 11th Street directly into our area. Parking will be on 11th. The easiest way to get to us is from 6th Avenue is to take the 19th Street exit east to Cheyenne Street, run north through the School of Mines to 11th street, and start looking for the trailer.

As far as the August 1st demo at Marriott Hotel at 38th and Quebec for the International Lacers Society convention: At the last minute they decided to limit our demo to one hour from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. I am making every attempt to contact all that approached me at the meeting and offered their help to notify them of the changes but I will more than likely miss somebody. This is why I like folks to put their names on the sign up sheets. It doesn't commit you the demo but helps me notify everybody of last minute changes.

I'd like to take a moment to thank all of you who have helped out with the demos this year. Without all of you this activity would not be possible. We are averaging close to 400 people through the booth in a typical weekend and this shines a positive light on our hobby of Small Scale Mining.

The creeks are getting to be a good cooling spot during the 110 degree weather, so get out there, enjoy, and be safe.

Puns

- A backward poet writes inverse.
- A bicycle can't stand on its own because it is two tired.
- A boiled egg in the morning is hard to beat.
- A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.
- A Freudian slip is when you say one thing but mean your mother.
- A gossip is someone with a great sense of rumor.
- A grenade thrown into a kitchen in France would result in linoleum blown apart.
- A hangover is the wrath of grapes.
- A lot of money is tainted. It taint yours and it taint mine.
- A man's home is his castle, in a manor of speaking.
- A pessimist's blood type is always b-negative.
- A plateau is a high form of flattery.
- A successful diet is the triumph of mind over platter.
- Acupuncture is a jab well done.
- Bakers trade bread recipes on a knead-to-know basis.
- Corduroy pillows are making headlines.
- Dijon vu: The same mustard as before.

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Facts

- The average computer user blinks seven times a minute.
- The average housefly lives for one month.
- The average lead pencil can draw a line that is almost 35 miles long or write almost 50,000 English words.
- The average person over fifty will have spent five years waiting in line.
- Do you know the names of the three wise monkeys? They are: Mizaru (See no evil), Mikazaru (Hear no evil), and Mazaru (Say no evil).
- Fifty-five per cent of people yawn within five minutes of seeing someone else yawn, and reading about yawning makes most people yawn.
- Humphrey Bogart was related to Princess Diana--they were 7th cousins.
- If coloring weren't added to Coca-Cola, it would be green.
- In 1883 the explosion of the volcano Krakatoa put so much dust into the earth's atmosphere that sunsets appeared green and the moon appeared blue around the world for almost two years.
- India has not invaded any country in her last 10,000 years of history.
- India invented the Number System. Zero was invented by Aryabhata.
- Insects do not make noises with their voices.
- John Travolta turned down the starring roles in "An Officer and a Gentleman" and "Tootsie."
- More than 40,000 Americans are injured by toilets each year.
- Most of us have eaten a spider in our sleep.
- People do not get sick from cold weather; it's from being indoors a lot more.

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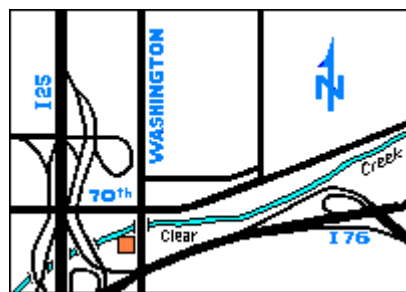
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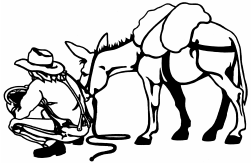
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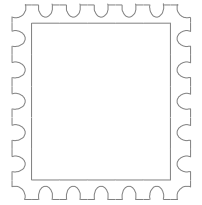
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